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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD

**DATE: 15 May 2013** 

**PLACE: Department of Business Regulation** 

1511 Pontiac Avenue, Building 69, Conference Room

69-1 Cranston, RI 02920

**TIME: 9:00 AM** 

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Christopher A. Duhamel, PE, PLS, Vice Chairman Wayne Moore, PE, Secretary Farhoumand, PE and Messrs. Paul B. Aldinger, PE, PhD, (arrived at 9:15AM) and Ferdinand Ihenacho, PE Board Members

OTHERS PRESENT: Neena Savage, Esq., Chief of Legal Services (left at 9:50AM)

Lois Marshall, Administrative Assistant

CALLED TO ORDER: Chairman Duhamel called the meeting to order at 9:10 AM to commence Board business

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

(1) Acceptance of the 24 April 2013 minutes of the meeting.

Secretary Farhoumand made a motion to approve the minutes of the 24 April 2013 Board meeting. Mr. Ihenacho seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, four in favors one absent. Voting in favor were Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand and Mr. Ihenacho Board Member. Mr. Aldinger was absent.

# (2) EXECUTIVE SESSION

Secretary Farhoumand made a motion to convene into executive session at 9:11AM pursuant to RI General Laws, Section §42-46(5)(a)(2) for sessions or work sessions pertaining to collective litigation and §42-46-(5)(a)(4) for bargaining or investigative proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct. Mr. Ihenacho seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, four in favors one absent. Voting in favor were Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand and Mr. Ihenacho Board Member. Mr. Aldinger was absent...

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Vice Chairman Moore moved to adjourn from executive session and to reconvene to open meeting at 9:20 AM pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-4. Mr. Aldinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand and Messrs. Aldinger and Ihenacho Board Members.

Vice Chairman Moore moved to seal the minutes of the executive session pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-4 and §42-46-5 and to record the votes taken in executive session in accordance with RI General Laws, §42-46-4 as follows: "Old Business" C2012-1 continued and P2012-6 continued. "Monitoring" P2012-1 continued. Mr. Aldinger seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Chairman Duhamel voted, "I", Vice Chairman Moore voted "I", Secretary Farhoumand voted "I", Mr. Aldinger voted "I", and Mr. Ihenacho voted "I". In Executive Session pending matters, there are (3) pending matter.

# (3) Professional Engineering Rules and Regulations

Secretary Farhoumand made a motion to amend the draft of the Rules and Regulations that the Board has been working on. Vice Chairman Moore seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand and Messrs. Aldinger and Ihenacho Board Members. Vice Chairman Moore will prepare the amends and forward them to the Board and Attorney Savage for review and comments.

# (4) Joint Board Workshop

Secretary Farhoumand made a motion to publish the Joint Informational Bulletin as an addendum to the Rules and Regulations at a public hearing. Vice Chairman Moore seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand and Messrs. Aldinger and Ihenacho Board Members.

# (5) Northeast Zone Meeting

Chairman Duhamel attended the 2013Northeast Zone Interim Meeting. Chairman Duhamel reported the topics discussed at the meeting which included the importance of the NCEES Enforcement database, the definition of Engineering survey as defined in the Model Law and a discussion on the number of votes allotted each Board for resolutions presented at the Annual Meetings.

#### **APPLICATIONS:**

# (6) Philip Badger, II

Secretary Farhoumand made a motion that the Board's decision to deny Mr. Badger's request for registration by comity remains unchanged based on the current educational requirements that exist in the current General Law and Administration Rules & Regulations. Vice Chairman Moore seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand and Messer. Aldinger

and Ihenacho Board Members.

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# (7) Jayendra R. Patel

Secretary Farhoumand made a motion that the Board's original decisions to request Mr. Patel have his degree evaluation from NCEES Credentials Evaluation Services remains unchanged. Vice Chairman Moore seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand and Messer. Aldinger and Ihenacho Board Members.

#### P.E. COMITY:

Vice Chairman Moore made a motion to grant comity to the following individuals in the disciplines specified. Mr. Aldinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand and Messrs. Aldinger and Ihenacho Board Members.

Albrecht, Rachel MD Civil Louie, Erika N. OR Civil Archer, Amy J. MD Civil Malkemes, Richard PA Elec. Butler, Lyndsay NH Civil Martin, William H. CA Civil/Struc. Cook, Jennifer L. KY Civil McCovey, Michelle M. CA Civil Gerdeman, David R. OH Elec. McGee, Timothy G. NC Civil Greenwell, Carolyn A. FL Civil Mueller, Heinz C. CA Civil Karius, Stephen F. NC Elec. Purciello, John A. NJ Civil

Keaney, Jonathan A. CA Civil Wenham, Matthew J. OH Civil Kovach, Adam R. VA Mech.

#### P.E. COMITY DENIED:

Vice Chairman Moore made a motion to deny comity to the John Lewis based on the fact that he does not meet the Board's educational requirement under current General Laws and Administrative Rules and Regulations. Mr. Myles Vance was denied comity based on the fact that he took the Principles and Practice of Engineering more than four times which does not meet current Administrative Rules and Regulations. Mr. Aldinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand and Messrs. Aldinger and Ihenacho Board Members.

Lewis, John B.

Vance, Myles T.

#### C.O.A. APPLICATIONS:

Secretary Farhoumand made a motion to approve the applications for Certificates of Authorization listed on the 15 May 2013 list for Sole Proprietorships, Corporations, Limited Liability, and Change in Responsible Charge, as noted in the specific disciplines mentioned with no exceptions. None were denied. Mr. Ihenacho seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand and Messrs. Aldinger and Ihenacho Board Members.

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SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP
CONSTANTINOS PERDIKAKIS
THE SADLER GROUP STRUCTURAL

CORPORATION

DOUGLAS E. BEST MECHANICAL

**CLARK REDER ENGINEERING, INC. CIVIL** 

CRITERIUM LOCKATONG ENGINEERS MECHANICAL

EHLERT/BRYAN, INC. STRUCTURAL

SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC IT MISSION CRIT. MECHANICAL

**ELECTRICAL** 

SOVEREIGN CONSULTING INC. ENVIRONMENTAL

SPEC DESIGN BUILDERS (5745) CHEMICAL & ELECTRICAL

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

CANNEY BROOK ENG. & CONS., LLC MECHANICAL

J3 ENGINEERING GROUP, LLC STRUCTURAL

THE STERLING ENG. GROUP OF CO., LLC STRUCTURAL

COA # 5067 DIPRETE ENG. ASSOC., INC.
REMOVING ERIC OFFENBERG FROM RESP. CHARGE

COA# 5075 CDM SMITH, INC.

ADDING MATTHEW ASHE, PE #7618 IN RESP. CHARGE.

COA#5665 C&E ENG. PARTNERS, INC.
REMOVING RUSSELL L. HOUDE, JR. PE FROM RESP. CHARGE

The next Board meeting is scheduled for 19 June 2013 at 9:00 AM. Secretary Farhoumand made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 AM. Mr. Aldinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand and Messrs. Aldinger and Ihenacho Board Members

Posted on 19 June 2013 electronically on Secretary of State's Office website. Pursuant to the Open Meetings Law, R.I. Gen. Laws Sec. 42-46-6(b), business not included in this notice may be considered with the consent of the majority of the members, and/or may convene into Executive (closed) Session pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws Sec. 42-46-5.

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